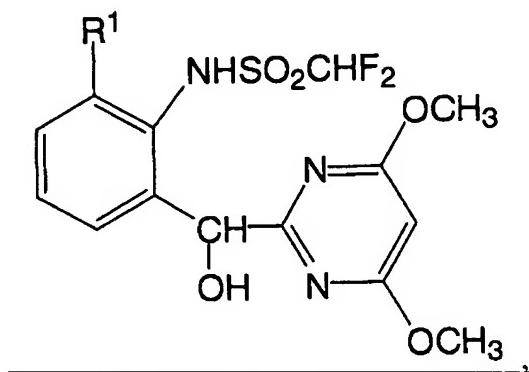


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A granular pesticide preparation characterized by comprising composition which comprises (1) non-disintegrable pesticide granules containing: an acidic pesticidal active ingredient selected from sulfonylurea-based compounds and difluoromethanesulfonylanilide compounds represented by the formula,



wherein R¹ is a hydrogen atom, alkyl group or alkoxyalkyl group, and salts thereof; a cationic surfactant which is gelled in water selected from dialkyldimethylammonium chlorides wherein the alkyl part has 8-22 carbon atoms; and a basic substance which having a pH of 7.5 or higher in a 1 mass % aqueous solution or a 1 mass % aqueous suspension, the non-disintegrable pesticide granules are being not disintegrated in water within 30 minutes, and

(2) a second pesticidal active ingredient, and the granular pesticide composition having a granule size of 0.3 to 3 mm in diameter or of 0.6 to 3 mm in breadth and 2 to 10 mm in length, wherein said preparation has and having properties of settling in water rapidly after application on water surface and of disintegration in water within 30 minutes.

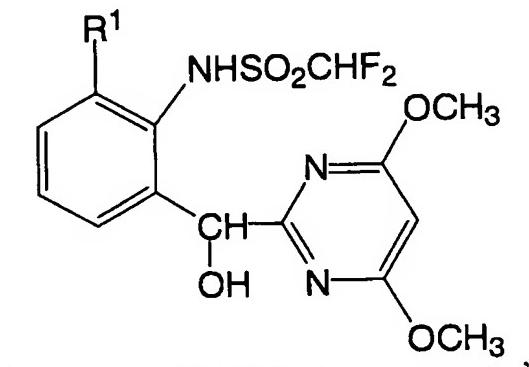
Claims 2-5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) The granular pesticide preparation composition according to

claim 1, wherein the basic substance is sodium hydrogen carbonate, sodium carbonate, calcium hydroxide, calcium carbonate, basic white carbon or basic Japanese acid clay.

7. (Currently Amended) The granular pesticide preparation composition according to claim 1, wherein the cationic surfactant is gelled or becomes swollen in waterdilauryldimethylammonium chloride, dioleyldimethylammonium chloride,
dicocoyledimethylammonium chloride or distearyldimethylammonium chloride.

8. (Currently Amended) A production methodprocess of preparing a granular pesticide preparation composition characterized in thatwhich process comprises the step of subjecting non-disintegrable pesticide granules, and a pesticidal active ingredient, a nonionic or anionic surfactant and an extender are subjected to an extrusion granulation through a screen of which the mesh opening has a diameter larger than the granule size or granule length of the non-disintegrable pesticide granules a granulating treatment together with a surfactant and an extender to form granules having a granule size of 0.3 to 3 mm in diameter or of 0.6 to 3 mm in breadth and 2 to 10 mm in length, wherein said non-disintegrable pesticide granules are not disintegrated in water within 30 minutes and contain an acidic pesticidal active ingredient selected from sulfonylurea-based compounds and difluoromethanesulfonylanilide derivatives represented by the formula,



wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, alkyl group or alkoxyalkyl group, and salts thereof; a cationic surfactant which is gelled in water selected from dialkyldimethylammonium

chlorides wherein the alkyl part has 8-22 carbon atoms; and a basic substance, and are not disintegrated in water within 30 minutes having a pH of 7.5 or higher in a 1 mass % aqueous solution or a 1 mass % aqueous suspension.

Claim 9. (Cancelled).